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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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APPLICATION NO: 09/930,335

Examiner: B.Y.S. Kwon

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MS: Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 13, 2005, having a period for response set to expire September 13, 2005, Applicants respectfully request the following amendment and remarks be entered and the claims considered in light thereof. Applicants also herein request a one month extension for this response as allowed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). The Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation for the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 3.